Elections (Ireland) Bill.

[AS AMENDED BY THE LORDS.]

ARRANGEMENT OF CLAUSES.

Regulating the Time at which the Polling at contested Elections for Counties shall commence, and the Period of their Continuance; Sect. 1.

Counties to be divided into Districts for Polling, according to the Schedule to this Act; 2.

At contested Elections for Counties, Polling Booths to be erected so that not more than Six hundred be required to poll in One Booth, and, on Requisition of Candidate, so that not more than Three hundred shall poll; 3.

Sheriff to appoint Deputies and Poll Clerks for each Polling Booth; their Duty; Poll, when to be declared; 4.

Cities, Towns, and Boroughs in Schedule (B.) to be divided into Polling Districts; 5.

List of registered Electors of such Cities, Towns, and Boroughs, how to be arranged; 6.

Electors in respect of Property not situate in any Ward to be registered in the List of adjoining Ward; 7.

Names of Electors hereafter registered to be arranged in manner before specified; Errors in Lists to be corrected; 8.

Booths at which Resident Freemen and other Voters are to give their Votes in Elections for Cities, Towns, &c.; 9.

At contested Elections for Cities, Towns, &c., a sufficient Number of Freemen's Booths to be provided, so that not more than Four hundred shall be obliged to poll in any One Booth; 10.

Similar Provision with respect to Ward Booths; also with respect to Cities, Towns, or Boroughs not mentioned in Schedule (B.); 11, 12.

At Elections for Cities, Towns, or Boroughs, on Requisition of Candidate, &c., Arrangement to be made so that not more than Two hundred Electors be allotted to poll at each Booth; 13.

At such Elections for Cities, &c. the Returning Officer to appoint a Deputy and a Poll Clerk for each Booth, and deliver to them a List of the Persons allotted to poll thereat; 14.

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Commencement and Continuance of Polling at Elections for Cities, Towns, &c.; 15.

Poll Books to be delivered up to the Sheriff or Returning Officer; Poll, when to be declared; 16.

Elections for any County, City, &c. before ~~last Day of November 1850~~ *15th March 1851* to be conducted as if Act had not passed; this Act not to affect the University of Dublin; 17.

Poll may be closed in certain Cases as previously to the passing of this Act; Proceedings in case of Riot; 18.

Expense of providing Booths, and appointing Deputies and Poll Clerks, by whom to be borne; 19.

Sheriff or Returning Officer to provide Lists of Electors for each Booth, and give Notice of Situation of Booths; 20.

No Candidate to be liable to pay the Fee of any Assessor; 21.

Additional Polling Places may be appointed on Petition from Justices in Quarter Sessions assembled; 22.

The Act 10 & 11 Vict. c. 81. to be repealed after ~~the last Day of November 1850~~ *15th March 1851*; 23.

Meaning of the Words "City," "Town," and "*Barony*"; 24.

Schedules to be Part of the Act; 25.

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SCHEDULES.

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BILL

[AS AMENDED BY THE LORDS]

INTITULED

An Act to shorten the Duration of Elections in Ireland, and for establishing additional Places for taking the Poll thereat.

[Note.—*The Words printed in Italics were inserted, and the Words printed below the Black Line were omitted, by the Lords.*

WHEREAS it is expedient to shorten the Time now allowed by Law for taking the Polls at contested Elections of Members to serve in Parliament for the several Counties, Cities, Towns, and Boroughs in Ireland, and to divide the same into Districts for the Purpose of Polling, and to establish a separate Polling Place within each such District: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That at every contested Election of a Knight or Knights of the Shire to serve in Parliament for any County in Ireland which shall take place after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* the Polling shall commence

At contested Elections for Counties, Polling to continue for Two Days only.

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mence on the next Day but Two after the Day fixed for the Election, save in the Cases herein-after mentioned, at the principal Place of Election, and also at the several Places to be appointed as herein-after directed for taking the Polls; and such Polling shall continue for Two Days only, such Days being successive Days, save in the Cases herein-after mentioned, and shall commence at the Hour of Nine of the Clock in the Morning of the First Day and at Eight of the Clock in the Morning of the Second Day, and be kept open only between the Hours of Nine in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon for the First Day, and between the Hours of Eight in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon of the Second Day; and no Poll shall be kept open later than Four of the Clock in the Afternoon of the Second Day, any Statute to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that when such Day next but Two after the Day fixed for the Election shall be Saturday, Sunday, Good Friday, or Christmas Day, then in case it be Saturday or Sunday the Poll shall be on the Monday next following, and in case it be Good Friday then on the Monday next following, and in case it be Christmas Day then on the next following Day, if the same shall not be Saturday or Sunday, and if it be Saturday or Sunday, on the next following Monday: Provided also, that when the Day following the First Day of Polling shall be Good Friday or Christmas Day, then in case it be Good Friday the Second Day of Polling shall be on the Saturday next following, and in case it be Christmas Day then on the next following Day, if the same shall not be Sunday, and if it be Sunday then on the next following Monday.

Counties to be divided into Districts for Polling, according to the Schedule to this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That the several Counties in Ireland, as mentioned in the Schedule (A.) to this Act annexed, shall from and after the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* be divided into Districts for Polling, according to the Arrangement specified in the said Schedule; and that in each such District the Poll shall be taken in the Town or Place specified in the said Schedule, and that each Polling District shall include the several Baronies *or Divisions* connected with the Name of the same Polling Place in the said Schedule; and each such District shall, for the Purposes of this Act, be called after the Name of such Polling Place: Provided always, that so far as may be necessary for the Purposes of Registration of Electors under an Act of the present Session to amend the Laws which regulate the Qualification and Registration of Parliamentary Voters in Ireland, and to alter the Law for rating Immediate Lessors of Premises to the Poor Rate in certain Boroughs, and not otherwise, such Division as aforesaid shall

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shall take effect from the (1) *Ninth* Day of (2) *September* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty.

III. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election for any County in Ireland after the (3) *Fifteenth* Day of (4) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* the Sheriff shall, at the Place appointed for taking the Poll for each such District as aforesaid, cause to be erected or provided a separate Booth for each Barony or Half Barony in such District, and shall cause to be affixed on the most conspicuous Part of each such Booth the Name of the Barony or Half Barony for which such Booth is respectively allotted, and no Person shall be admitted to vote at any such Election in any Booth except that allotted for the Barony or Half Barony upon the Register of which his Name shall appear: Provided always, that if in any Barony or Half Barony there shall appear upon the Register thereof the Names of more than Six hundred Electors, the Sheriff shall cause so many separate Booths to be erected or provided for such Barony or Half Barony that not more than Six hundred shall be required to poll in any One Booth; and the Sheriff shall, in case of such separate Booths for the same Barony or Half Barony, declare the Initial Letters of the Surnames of the Voters who are to vote at the same, and have such Initial Letters placed on the said Booths under the Name of the Barony or Half Barony: Provided also, that on the Requisition of any Candidate, or of any Elector being the Proposer or Seconder of any Candidate, at any such contested Election after the Day last aforesaid, such Requisition to be made or given at or before Twelve of the Clock at Noon on the Day of Nomination, the Booths shall be so arranged by the Sheriff that not more than Three hundred Electors shall be allotted to poll at each such Booth: Provided also, that the Candidate or Elector making such Requisition shall pay all additional Expenses occasioned by such Division or Arrangement.

At contested Elections for Counties Booths to be erected so that not more than Six hundred be required to poll in One Booth.

IV. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election as aforesaid for any County in Ireland the Sheriff shall have Power to appoint, and shall appoint, Deputies to preside, and Clerks to take the Poll at the several Places appointed for Polling for the several Baronies or Half Baronies as mentioned in the said Schedule, and in the several Polling Booths, not exceeding One Deputy and One Poll Clerk for each Polling Booth; and that the Poll Clerks employed at such several Places shall at the Close of each Day's Poll enclose and seal their several Books, and shall publicly deliver them so enclosed and sealed to

Sheriff to appoint Deputies and Poll Clerks for each Polling Booth.

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to the Sheriff or Sheriff's Deputy presiding at such Poll, who shall give a Receipt for the same, and shall on the Commencement of the Poll on the Second Day deliver them back so enclosed and sealed to the Person from whom he shall have received them; and on the final Close of the Poll every such Deputy who shall have received any such Poll Books shall forthwith deliver the same so enclosed and sealed to the Sheriff or his Under Sheriff, who shall receive and keep all the Poll Books unopened until the re-assembling of the Court on the Day next but One after the Close of the Poll, unless such Day shall be Sunday, and then on the Monday following, at an Hour not earlier than Eleven of the Clock, when he shall openly break the Seals thereon, and cast up the Number of Votes as they appear on the said several Books, and shall openly declare the State of the Poll, and shall declare the Member or Members chosen, at or before Two of the Clock in the Afternoon of the said Day.

Poll when to be declared.

Cities and Boroughs in Schedule (B.) to be divided into Polling Districts.

V. And be it enacted, That each of the Cities, Towns, and Boroughs in Ireland mentioned in the Schedule (B.) to this Act annexed shall from and after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* be divided into Polling Districts, and that each of the Wards into which the said Cities, Towns, and Boroughs shall have been respectively divided for Municipal Purposes under the Provisions of the Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in Ireland, or any Act amending the same, shall be a separate Polling District.

List of Electors of such Cities, Towns, &c. to be divided by Wards, &c., and so printed in the Register.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Clerk of the Peace of or acting in or for each of the said Cities, Towns, and Boroughs mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) shall before the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* cause the List of Voters for such City, Town, or Borough, duly signed by the Assistant Barrister, Chairman, or Revising Barrister, upon the Revision of the same, to be divided, arranged, and printed in the Book of the Register of Voters for such City, Town, or Borough in manner following; (that is to say,) the Names of all Persons appearing upon the said List as Resident Freemen shall be placed upon a separate List, to be entitled "The List of Resident Freemen," and shall be arranged therein in strict alphabetical Order according to the First, Second, and other Letters of their Surnames, and the Names in such List of Freemen shall be numbered consecutively, beginning with Number One, and the Names of all Persons appearing on the said List of Voters, signed as aforesaid, as qualified in respect of any Property Qualification, or as Occupiers of

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of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, shall be divided into Lists for the respective Wards, according to the Number and Names of the Municipal Wards into which each such City, Town, or Borough shall have been divided under the said Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in Ireland, or any Act amending the same; and each of such Ward Lists shall be headed with the Name of the Ward, and shall contain the Names of all Persons appearing upon the said List of Voters signed as aforesaid as qualified in respect of any Property situate within such Ward, or as Occupiers of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments situate within such Ward; and in each such Ward List the Names of the Persons appearing thereon shall be arranged in strict alphabetical Order according to the First, Second, and other Letters of the Surnames, and the Names in each such Ward List shall be numbered consecutively, beginning with Number One.

Electors in respect of Property not situate in any Ward to be inserted in List of adjoining Ward.

VII. And be it enacted, That in the Case of any Persons appearing on the said List of Voters signed as aforesaid for any such City, Town, or Borough mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) as qualified in respect of any Property Qualification, or as Occupiers of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, not situate within the Limits of any of such Wards, such Clerk of the Peace shall insert the Name of each of such last-mentioned Persons in the List for the Ward which the said Property, or the said Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, in respect of which he may be so qualified, shall most nearly adjoin; *or in case the said Property, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments in respect of which any Person may be qualified shall be situate in more than One Ward, or partly within One or more Ward or Wards and partly without the Limits of any Ward, the Clerk of the Peace shall insert the Name of any such last-mentioned Person in the List of such One Ward in which such Property, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments shall be partly situate as such Clerk of the Peace shall think fit.*

Electors for such Cities and Towns, &c. hereafter to be arranged and printed in like Manner.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Names of all Persons who shall at any Time after the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* be on the List of Voters signed as aforesaid in each Year for any such City, Town, or Borough mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) shall be divided, arranged, and printed by the said Clerk of the Peace in manner herein-before specified.

Booths at which Freemen and other Voters are to give their Votes.

IX. And be it enacted, That at every contested Election for any such City, Town, or Borough mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) which

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which shall take place after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* the Persons on the Register and entitled to vote thereat as Resident Freemen shall (save as herein-after mentioned) vote at some Booth or Compartment to be erected or provided at or near the Place at which the Elections for such City, Town, or Borough are now usually holden, and not elsewhere; and all Persons on the Register and entitled to vote in respect of any Property Qualification, or as Occupiers of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, shall vote at some Booths or Compartments to be erected or provided within the Ward upon the List of which their Names shall appear, and not elsewhere.

Freemen's Booths.

X. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff or other Returning Officer at any such contested Election for any such City, Town, or Borough mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) (save as herein-after provided) which shall take place after the Day last aforesaid shall cause a sufficient Number of Booths to be erected or provided at or near the Place where Elections for such City, Town, or Borough are now usually holden, to be called the Freemen's Booths, so that not more than Four hundred such Electors shall be allotted or obliged to poll in any One Booth, and that, as far as practicable consistently with the said Provision as to the Number of Four hundred, all such Persons whose Surnames shall begin with the same Letter of the Alphabet shall poll in the same Booth or Compartment: Provided always, that where the Number of Freemen on the Register shall not exceed Three hundred in Number no Freemen's Booth shall be provided, but such Freemen shall poll in such Ward Booths, and in such Proportions as the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall appoint and notify for such Purpose.

Booths in each Ward for other Voters.

XI. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election for any such City, Town, or Borough mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) after the Day last aforesaid the Sheriff or Returning Officer shall cause to be erected or provided within each Ward thereof a sufficient Number of Booths or Compartments, to be called the Ward Booths, for the Purpose of taking the Votes of all those registered Electors whose Names appear on the List for such Ward, so as that not more than Four hundred such Electors shall be allotted or obliged to poll in any One Booth or Compartment, and that, as far as practicable consistently with the said Provision as to the Number of Four hundred, all such Persons whose Surnames shall begin with the same Letter of the Alphabet shall poll at the same Booth or Compartment.

XII. And

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XII. And be it enacted, That at every contested Election of a Member or Members to serve in Parliament for any City, Town, or Borough in Ireland not mentioned in said Schedule (B.) which shall take place after the Day last aforesaid the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall cause to be erected or provided so many Booths or Compartments for Polling as that not more than Four hundred Electors shall be allotted or required to poll in each such Booth or Compartment, and that, as far as practicable consistently with the said Provisions as to the Number of Four hundred, all Persons whose Surnames shall begin with the same Letter of the Alphabet shall poll in the same Booth or Compartment.

Polling Places in Cities or Towns not mentioned in Schedule (B.)

XIII. And be it enacted, That on the Requisition of any Candidate or of any Elector, being the Proposer or Seconder of any Candidate, at any such contested Election after the Day last aforesaid for any City, Town, or Borough in Ireland, whether the same be mentioned in said Schedule (B.) or not, such Requisition to be made or given at or before Twelve of the Clock at Noon on the Day of Nomination, the Booths or Compartments shall be so arranged by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer as that not more than Two hundred Electors shall be allotted to poll at each such Booth or Compartment: Provided always, that the Candidate or Elector making such Requisition shall pay all additional Expenses occasioned by such Division or Arrangement.

At Elections for Cities and Towns, on Requisition of Candidate, Proposer, or Seconder, Arrangement to be made so that not more than Two hundred shall poll in each Booth.

XIV. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election for any City, Town, or Borough in Ireland, whether the same be mentioned in said Schedule (B.) or not, which shall take place after the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one*, the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall have Power to appoint, and shall appoint, a Deputy to preside and a Clerk to take the Poll at each such Booth or Compartment, and shall, before the opening of the Poll, deliver or cause to be delivered to each such Deputy a List of the Persons allotted to poll at the Booth or Compartment over which such Deputy is to preside, with the Names therein arranged in strict alphabetical Order, according to the First, Second, and other Letters of the Surnames.

At such Elections for Cities and Towns the Returning Officer to appoint Deputy and Poll Clerk for each Booth, and furnish List of the Persons to poll thereat

XV. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election for any City, Town, or Borough in Ireland, whether the same be mentioned in said Schedule (B.) or not, which shall take place after the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-

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fifty-*one*, the Polling shall commence at Eight of the Clock of the Forenoon of the Day next but One after the Day fixed for the Election; and such Polling shall continue for such One Day only, and no Poll shall be kept open longer than Five of the Clock in the Afternoon of such Day, any Statute to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that when such Day next but One after the Day fixed for the Election shall be Sunday, Good Friday, or Christmas Day, then in case it be Sunday the Poll shall be on the Monday next following, and in case it be Good Friday then on the Saturday next following, and in case it be Christmas Day then on the next following Day if the same shall not be Sunday, and if it be Sunday then on the next following Monday.

Duty of Poll Clerks at such Elections.

XVI. And be it enacted, That at every such contested Election for any City, Town, or Borough in Ireland, whether mentioned in the said Schedule (B.) or not, taking place after the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one*, the Poll Clerks employed in the several Booths or Compartments shall at the Close of the Day's Poll enclose and seal their several Books, and shall publicly deliver them so enclosed and sealed to the Sheriff's or Returning Officer's Deputy presiding at such Poll, who shall give a Receipt for the same, and shall deliver the same so enclosed and sealed to the Sheriff or his Under Sheriff or other Returning Officer, who shall receive and keep all the Poll Books unopened until the re-assembling of the Court on the Day next after the Close of the Poll, unless such Day shall be Sunday, and then on the Monday following, at an Hour not earlier than Ten of the Clock, when he shall openly break the Seals thereon, and cast up the Number of the Votes as they appear on the said several Books, and shall openly declare the State of the Poll, and shall declare the Member or Members chosen, at or before Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of the said Day.

Declaration of Poll.

Elections on or before 15th March 1851 to be taken as if Act had not passed.

XVII. And be it enacted, That in case any Election shall take place for any County, City, Town, or Borough in Ireland before or on the said (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one*, the Poll and Proceedings thereat shall be taken in the same Manner as if this Act had not passed; and that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to affect or apply to the Borough of the University of Dublin.

University of Dublin not to be affected.

Poll may be closed in certain Cases as heretofore.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall prevent any Sheriff or other Returning Officer, or the lawful Deputy of any *Sheriff or* Returning Officer, from closing the Poll previous to the

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the Expiration of the Time fixed by this Act in any Case where the same might have been lawfully closed before the passing of this Act; and that where the Proceedings at any Election after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* (3) (whether such Proceedings shall consist of the Nomination of *a Candidate or* Candidates or of the taking *of* the Poll) *shall be interrupted or obstructed by any Riot or open Violence at or near the Place of Election or a Polling Place, or shall be interrupted or obstructed by any Riot or open Violence taking place elsewhere by the violent or forcible Prevention, Obstruction, or Interruption of Voters proceeding on their Way to such Election or Polling Place (such last-mentioned Prevention, Obstruction, or Interruption of Voters proceeding on their Way as aforesaid being shown by Affidavit)*, the Sheriff or other Returning Officer, or the lawful Deputy of any *Sheriff or* Returning Officer, shall not for such Cause terminate the Business of such Nomination, nor finally close the Poll, but shall adjourn the Nomination or the taking of the Poll at the particular Polling Place or Places at *or near to which or on the Way to* which such Interruption or Obstruction shall have happened until the following Day, and, if necessary, shall further adjourn such Nomination or Poll, as the Case may be, until such Interruption or Obstruction shall have ceased, when the *Sheriff or* Returning Officer or his Deputy shall again proceed with the Business of the Nomination, or with the taking the Poll, as the Case may be, at the Place or Places at *or near to which or on the Way to* which the same respectively may have been interrupted or obstructed; and the Day on which the Business of the Nomination shall have been concluded shall be deemed to have been the Day fixed for the Election, and the Commencement of the Poll shall be regulated accordingly; and any Day whereon the Poll shall have been so adjourned shall not, as to such Place or Places, be reckoned the Day of Polling at such Election within the Meaning of this Act; and whenever the Poll shall have been so adjourned by any Deputy of any Sheriff or other Returning Officer, such Deputy shall forthwith give Notice of such Adjournment to the Sheriff or Returning Officer, who shall not finally declare the State of the Poll, or make Proclamation of the Member or Members chosen, until the Poll so adjourned at such Place or Places as aforesaid shall have been finally closed, and the Poll Books delivered or transmitted to such Sheriff or other Returning Officer, anything herein-before or in any other Statute to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that this Act shall not be taken to authorize an Adjournment to a Sunday,

Proceedings in case of Riot.

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Sunday, but that in every Case in which the Day to which the Adjournment would otherwise be made shall happen to be a Sunday, Good Friday, or Christmas Day, that Day or Days shall be passed over, and the following shall be the Day to which the Adjournment shall be made. 5

Expense of Booths.

XIX. And be it enacted, That all Booths erected or provided for taking the Polls at any such Election shall be erected or provided by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer at the joint Expense of the Candidates, except in the Case when at an Election for a County, City, Town, or Borough such Requisition for additional Booths as herein- 10 before provided for shall have been made; subject however to the Limitation herein-after contained, (that is to say,) that the Expense to be incurred for the Booth or each of the Booths at the principal Place of Election, or at any of the Polling Places for any County, shall not exceed the Sum of Three Pounds if in a public Building, and shall 15 not exceed the Sum of Five Pounds if not in a public Building, and that the Expenses to be incurred for any Booth or Compartment in any City, Town, or Borough shall not exceed the Sum of Three Pounds if in a public Building, and shall not exceed the Sum of Five Pounds if not in a public Building; and that all Deputies appointed 20 by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall be paid each Two Pounds a Day, and no more, and each Poll Clerk shall be paid One Pound a Day, at the Expense of the Candidates: Provided always, that if any Candidate shall be proposed without his Consent, the Person proposing him shall be liable for his Share of the Expenses as if 25 he had been a Candidate: Provided also, that the Sheriff or other Returning Officer may, if he think fit, instead of erecting such Booth or Booths as aforesaid, hire any Houses or other Buildings for the Purpose of taking the Poll therein; subject however to the Limitations as to Expense herein-before contained. 30

Payment to Deputies and Poll Clerks.

Lists of Electors for each Booth, and Notice of Situation of Booths.

XX. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall before the Day fixed for the Polling at any such Election cause to be provided for the Use of each Booth a true Copy of the Register or List of Electors, so far as such Electors are allotted or appointed to vote at such Booth, in strict alphabetical Order, accord- 35 ing to the First, Second, and other Letters of their Surnames, and shall under his Hand certify every such Copy to be true, and shall also cause to be made out and printed a Statement or Specification of the local Situations of the different Booths, and of the Division or Description of the Electors allotted to poll at each Booth, and shall 40 give thereto full Publicity, by Posting and otherwise, and shall cause to be affixed to each Booth, in large Letters, on some conspicuous Part thereof, a Notice of the Division or Description of the Electors allotted to poll thereat.

XXI. And

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XXI. And be it enacted, That no Candidate at any such Election after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* shall be liable to pay or to contribute to the Payment of the Fee of any Assessor appointed by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer.

No Candidate to be liable to pay Fee of Assessor.

XXII. And whereas it is expedient to provide for increasing the Number of Polling Places, *and for altering Polling Districts*: Be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, by and with the Advice of the Privy Council in Ireland, from Time to Time hereafter, on Petition from the Justices of any County or Riding in Ireland in Quarter Sessions assembled, representing that the Number of Polling Places for such County or Riding is insufficient, and praying that the Place or Places mentioned in the said Petition may be a Polling Place or Polling Places for the County or Riding within which such Place or Places is or are situate, and that a Barony or Baronies, Half Barony or Half Baronies in such Petition mentioned may constitute a District for Polling at such Polling Place, (but so as not to divide any Barony or Half Barony,) *or praying that any Polling District or Districts may be altered, and that any Barony or Half Barony may be detached from any such Polling District, and be annexed to any other Polling District, as the Case may be,* to declare that any Place or Places mentioned in the said Petition shall be a Polling Place or Polling Places for that County or Riding, and that the Barony or Baronies, Half Barony or Half Baronies in such Petition mentioned shall constitute a District for Polling at such Polling Place, and that the other Polling Districts of the said County or Riding shall be altered accordingly, *or to declare that any Polling District or Districts shall be altered, and that any Barony or Half Barony shall be detached from any such Polling District, and be annexed to any other Polling District;* and every such Declaration or Order for creating additional Polling Places, and the Polling Districts for the same, *or for altering any Polling District or Districts,* shall be certified under the Hand of the Clerk of the said Privy Council, and, when so certified, shall be published in the Dublin Gazette, and shall be of the same Force and Effect as if the same had been made by the Authority of Parliament: Provided always, that no such Petition as aforesaid shall be made by such Justices so assembled unless a Notice in Writing shall have been delivered, One Month at the least before the holding of such Quarter Sessions, to the Clerk of the Peace of the County or Riding wherein the same are held, signed

Additional Polling Places may be appointed upon Petition from Justices in Quarter Sessions assembled.

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signed by Two Justices of the Peace for such County or Riding, and residing therein, or by Ten Inhabitants being registered Voters for such County or Riding, which Notice shall state that the Court will, when such Sessions are held, be moved to make such Petition, nor unless the Clerk of the Peace shall, Ten Days at the least before the holding of such Sessions, have caused a Copy of such Notice to be inserted Twice at the least in Two of the Newspapers of such County or Riding, if Two Newspapers are published therein, or if not, in a Newspaper published or commonly circulated therein, together with a Notice of the Day upon which *and the Place at which* such Quarter Sessions will be held: Provided also, that when such Motion is made, any Person objecting to the same shall be heard by such Court against the same, or any Part thereof, if he thinks fit.

Repeal of 10 & 11 Vict. c. 81. after this Act comes into operation.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That from and after the (1) *Fifteenth* Day of (2) *March* in the Year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-*one* an Act of the Tenth and Eleventh Years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to limit the Time for taking the Poll at "Elections of Members to serve in Parliament for Counties of Cities, "Counties of Towns, and Boroughs in Ireland," shall be repealed, save so far as the same repeals any other Act or Acts.

Interpretation Clause.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That in the Construction of this Act the Word "City" shall be deemed to mean a County of a City or a County and City; and the Word "Town" shall be deemed to mean a County of a Town; *and the Word "Barony" shall be deemed to include "Half Barony" or "Division."*

Schedules to be Part of Act.

XXV. And be it enacted, That the Schedules annexed to this Act shall be deemed Part of this Act.

Act may be amended, &c. this Session.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

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SCHEDULES to which the foregoing Act refers.

SCHEDULE (A.)

ANTRIM (County).

Polling Places.	Baronies
Ballymoney	Lower Dunluce.
	Upper Dunluce.
	(1) *Cary.*
	Kilconway.
Ballymena	Lower Toome.
	Lower Glenarm.
	Lower Antrim.
	Upper Glenarm.
Antrim	Upper Belfast.
	Lower Belfast.
	Upper Antrim.
	Upper (2) *Massereene.*
	Lower (3) *Massereene.*
	Upper Toome.

ARMAGH (County).

Lurgan	Oneilland, East.
	Oneilland, West.
Armagh	Armagh.
	Tiranny.
	Lower Fews.
Newry	Upper Fews.
	Upper Orior.
	Lower Orior.

CARLOW (County)

Carlow	Carlow.
Tullow	Rathvilly.
	Forth.
	Upper St. Mullins.
(4) *Bagenalstown*	Lower St. Mullins.
	Idrone, East.
	Idrone, West.

CAVAN (County).

Polling Places.	Baronies
Ballyconnell	Tullyhaw.
	Lower Loughtee.
Cavan	Upper Loughtee.
	(5) *Clanmahon.*
	Tullyhunco.
(6) *Bailieborough*	Tullygarvey.
	Clankee.
	Castlerahan.

CLARE (County).

(7) *Eunistimon*	Burren.
	Corcomroe.
	Inchiquin.
Kilrush	(8) *Moyarta.*
	(9) *Clonderalaw.*
Ennis	Islands.
	Upper Bunratty.
	Ibrickan.
Tulla	Upper (10) *Tulla.*
	Lower (11) *Tulla.*
Six Mile Bridge	Lower Bunratty.

CORK (County).

Kanturk	Duhallow.
Fermoy	Condons and Clangibbon.
	Kinnatalloon.
Middleton	Barrymore.
	Imokilly.
Cork	Cork.
	Barretts.
Mallow	Fermoy.
	Orrery and Kilmore.
Kinsale	Kinalea.
	Kerrycurrihy.
	Kinsale.

(1) Carey. (2) Massareene. (3) Massareene. (4) Bagnelstown.
(5) Clonmahon. (6) Bailliebborough. (7) Innistymon. (8) Moyfarta.
(9) Clonderlaw. (10) Tullagh. (11) Tullagh.

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CORK—*cont.*
(County).

Polling Places.	Baronies.
Macroom - -	East Muskerry.
	West Muskerry.
Bandon - -	Ibane and Barryroe.
	East (1) *Carbery, East Division.*
	East Carbery, West Division.
	Courceys.
	Kinalmeaky.
Bantry - -	Bantry.
	(2) *Bear.*
Skibbereen - -	West Carbery, *East Division.*
	West Carbery, West Division.

DONEGAL
(County).

Donegal - -	Tirhugh.
	Banagh.
	Boylagh.
Letterkenny -	Kilmacrenan.
Lifford - -	Raphoe.
Buncrana - -	(3) *Inishowen.*

DOWN
(County).

Downpatrick - -	Lecale.
	Dufferin.
	Kinelarty.
Newtownards -	Ards.
	Lower Castlereagh.
Hillsborough -	Upper Castlereagh.
	Lower Iveagh.
Newry - -	Upper Iveagh.
	Newry *Lordship.*
	Mourne.

DUBLIN
(County).

Kilmainham - -	St. Sepulchre.
	Donore.
	Uppercross.
	Castleknock.
	Coolock.
	Newcastle, East and West.

DUBLIN—*cont.*
(County).

Polling Places.	Baronies.
Kingstown - -	Rathdown.
	Dublin.
Balbriggan - -	Balrothery, East.
	Balrothery, West.
	Nethercross.

FERMANAGH
(County).

Enniskillen - -	Clanawley.
	Lurg.
	Magheraboy.
	Knockninny.
	Tirkennedy.
(4) *Newtown Butler* -	Coole.
	Magherastephana.
	Clankelly.

GALWAY
(County).

Clifden - -	(5) *Ballynahinch.*
Galway - -	Clare.
	Dunkellin.
	Aran.
Gort - -	(6) *Kiltartan.*
Loughrea - -	Loughrea.
	Leitrim.
	Longford.
	Athenry.
Ballinasloe - -	(7) *Killian.*
	Clonmacnowen.
	Kilconnell.
Tuam - -	Ballymoe.
	Dunmore.
	(8) *Tiaquin.*
(9) *Oughterard* -	Ross.
	Moycullen.

KERRY
(County).

Listowel - -	Iraghticonnor.
	Clanmaurice.
Tralee - -	(10) *Trughanacmy.*
	Corkaguiny.
(11) *Cahirsiveen* -	Iveragh.
	South Dunkerron.
Killarney - -	Magunihy.
	North Dunkerron.
Kenmare - -	(12) *Glenarought.*

(1) Carberry. (2) Bere. (3) Innishowen. (4) Newtownbutler.
(5) Ballinahinch. (6) Kiltarton. (7) Tiaquin. (8) Killyan.
(9) Oughterarde. (10) Trughenacmy (11) Cahirciveen. (12) Glenerough.

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KILDARE
(County).

Polling Places.	Baronies.
Maynooth	Carbury.
	Ikeathy and Oughterany.
	North Salt.
Naas	Naas, North.
	Naas, South.
	Connell.
	Clane.
	South Salt.
Athy	West Narragh and Reban.
	Kilkea and Moone.
	East Narragh and Reban.
Kildare	(1) *East* Offaly.
	(2) *West* Offaly.
	Kilculleu.

KILKENNY
(County).

Castlecomer	Fassadinin.
Kilkenny	Shillelogher.
	(3) *Crannagh.*
	Callan.
Thomastown	Knocktopher.
	Gowran.
	Kells.
Piltown	Iverk.
	Ida.
Urlingford	Galmoy.

KING'S COUNTY.

Parsonstown	Garrycastle.
	Eglish.
	Ballybritt.
	Clonlisk.
Tullamore	Geashill.
	Ballycowan.
	Kilcoursey.
	Ballyboy.

KING'S COUNTY—*cont.*

Polling Places.	Baronies.
(4) *Philipstown*	Upper Philipstown.
	Lower Philipstown.
	Warrenstown.
	Coolestown.

LEITRIM
(County).

Manor Hamilton	Rosclogher.
	(5) *Drumahaire.*
Carrick-on-Shannon.	Leitrim.
	Mohill.
Ballinamore	Carrigallen.

LIMERICK
(County)

Newcastle	Upper (6) *Connello.*
	Lower (6) *Connello.*
	Shanid.
	Glenquin.
Bruff	(7) Kilmallock.
	Coshlea.
	Coshma.
	Small County.
Limerick	Kenry.
	Pubblebrien.
	Clanwilliam.
	Owneybeg.
	Coonagh.

LONDONDERRY
(County).

Londonderry	*North-west* Liberties of (8) *Londonderry.*
	Tirkeeran.
Coleraine	*North-east* Liberties of Coleraine.
	Coleraine.
Magherafelt	Loughinsholin.
Newtown (9) *Limavady*	Keenaght.

LONGFORD
(County).

Longford	Longford.
	Ardagh.
Ballymahon	Rathcline.
	Shrule.
	Moydow.
Granard	Granard.

(1) Eastern. (2) Western. (3) Cranagh. (4) Phillipstown. (5) Drumahair.
(6) Connelloe. (7) Liberties of. (8) Derry. (9) Limavaddy.

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LOUTH
(County)

Polling Places	Baronies.
Dundalk	Upper Dundalk. Lower Dundalk. Louth.
Ardee	Ardee. Ferrard.

MAYO
(County).

Belmullet	Erris.
Ballina	(1) *Tirawley.*
Swineford	Gallen. Costello.
Castlebar	Carra. Burrishoole.
Ballinrobe	Kilmaine. Clanmorris.
Westport	Murrisk.

MEATH
(County).

Duleek	Upper Duleek. Lower Duleek.
Navan	Lower Navan. (2) *Skreen.* Upper Slane. Lower Slane.
Kells	Upper Kells. Lower Kells. Morgallion. Fore.
Trim	Lune. Upper (3) *Moyfenrath.* Lower (3) *Moyfenrath.* Upper Navan.
Dunshaughlin	Upper Deece. Lower Deece. Dunboyne. Ratoath.

MONAGHAN
(County).

Polling Places.	Baronies.
Monaghan	Cremorne. Trough. Monaghan. Dartree.
Carrickmacross	Farney.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

Mountmellick	Tinnahinch. Portnahinch.
Maryborough	Maryborough, East. Maryborough, West.
Abbeyleix	Clarmallagh. Cullenagh.
Borris-in-Ossory	Upperwoods. (4) *Clandonagh.*
Stradbally	Slievemargy. Stradbally. BallyAdams.

ROSCOMMON
(County).

(5) *Castlereagh*	Frenchpark. (5) *Castlereagh.* Ballymoe.
Roscommon	Ballintober, South. Roscommon.
Athlone	Athlone. Moycarn.
Boyle	Ballintober, North. Boyle.

SLIGO
(County).

Sligo	Carbury. Tirerrill.
Ballymote	Corran Coolavin. Leyny.
Easky	Tireragh.

(1) Tyrawly. (2) Skryne. (3) Moyfenragh. (4) Clondonagh. (5) Castlerea.

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TIPPERARY
(County).

Polling Places.	Baronies
Nenagh - -	Upper Ormond. Lower Ormond. Owney and Arra.
Thurles - -	Eliogarty. Ikerrin. Kilnamanagh, *Lower.* *Kilnamanagh, Upper.*
Clonmel - -	East Iffa and Offa. West Iffa and Offa.
Cashel - -	Middlethird. (1) *Slievardagh.*
Tipperary -	Clanwilliam.

TYRONE
(County).

Dungannon -	Upper Dungannon. Middle Dungannon. Lower Dungannon.
Strabane - -	West Omagh. Lower Strabane.
Omagh - -	East Omagh. Upper Strabane.
Clogher - -	Clogher.

WATERFORD
(County).

Lismore - -	Coshmore and Coshbride.
Dungarvan -	Decies without Drum. Decies within Drum.
Waterford - -	(2) *Gaultiere.* Middlethird.
Carrickbeg -	Glenahiry. Upperthird.

WESTMEATH
(County).

Polling Places	Baronies.
Mullingar - -	Moygoish. Corkaree. Farbill. (3) *Moyashel* and Magheradernon.
Moate - -	Moycashel. Fartullagh. Clonlonan. Rathconrath. Kilkenny, West. (4) *Brawny.*
Castletown Delvin -	Fore. Delvin.

WEXFORD
(County).

Enniscorthy -	Scarawalsh. (5) *Shelmaliere,* East. (6) *Ballaghkeen.*
Wexford - -	(5) *Shelmaliere,* West. Forth. Bargy.
New Ross - -	Shelburne. Bantry.
Gorey - -	Gorey.

WICKLOW
(County).

Baltinglass -	Upper Talbotstown. Lower Talbotstown.
Tinahely - -	Shillelagh.
Wicklow - -	North Ballinacor. South Ballinacor.
Bray - -	Newcastle. Rathdown.
Arklow - -	Arklow.

(1) Slieveardagh. (2) Gaulthiere. (3) Moyashill. (4) Brawney.
(5) Shelmalier. (6) Ballaghkeene.

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SCHEDULE (B.)

NAMES of Cities, Towns, and Boroughs to be divided into Polling Districts.

Belfast.
Cork.
Dublin.
Limerick.
Waterford.

Elections (Ireland).

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